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Timely Tidbits ...

John McCain Wins; 4 of 5 Proposals Lose

In keeping with many other communities throughout the State of Michigan, strongly Democratic Romulus thumbed its nose at Governor John Engler and chose John McCain (900 votes) over George W. Bush (578 votes) on the Presidential Primary's Republican ticket. Alan Keyes received 85 of the total 1,884 votes cast.

The ballot's sole Democratic candidate, Lyndon H. LaRouche, received only 52 votes, since most Democrats will choose between Al Gore and Bill Bradley in the March 11 Democratic Caucus.

In the local portion of the election, voters turned down four proposed City Charter revisions that would have adjusted City spending limits to reflect the effects of inflation over the past 30 years. The proposals also provided a means for the City Council to revise those limits from time to time, without the necessity of further revisions to the Charter.

The only proposal to pass was one that will require all contracts for public improvements to be accompanied by a performance and material bond in the amount of the contract.

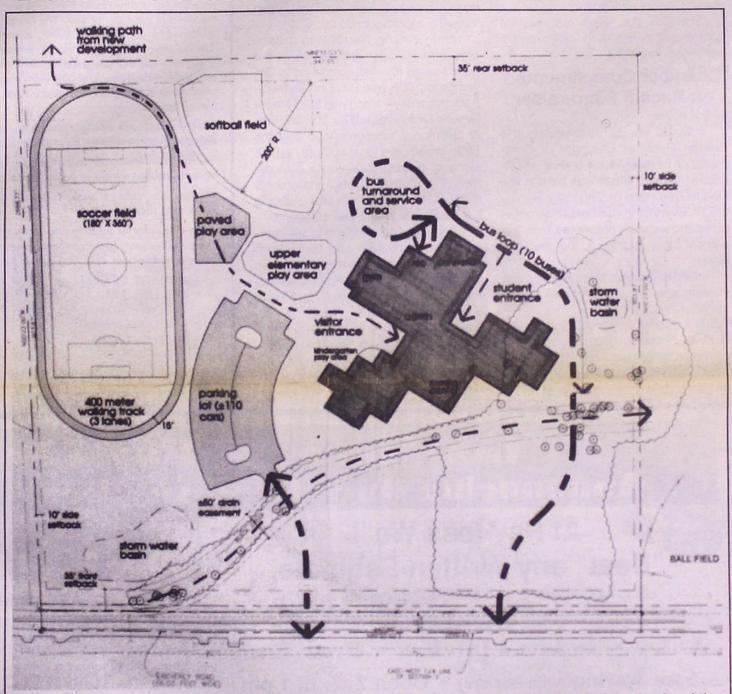
Hunter Safety Class

Due to many requests, the Romulus Police Department will host a Hunter Safety Education class at the Romulus VFW (located at 39270 Huron River Drive) on Saturday and Sunday, March 25–26. Lunch will be provided by the VFW.

Completion of the class earns participants a Hunter Safety Certificate. According to Officer Tom Ellis, a state law requiring hunters to have such a certificate has been in effect since 1960.

Although there is no charge for the class, preregistration is required, as space is limited to the first 50 applicants. Early sign-up is strongly recommended. Forms are available at the Romulus Police Department (located at 11165 Olive in downtown Romulus).

Board To Review Site Plan for New School



This proposed site plan for the district's new elementary school shows the layout of both the school and the grounds. That's Beverly Road to the south (bottom); the waterway shown is Black Creek.

A Romulus Community Schools committee established to investigate ideas for the district's new elementary school has – in conjunction with the Kingscott Associates architectural firm of Kalamazoo – developed some building and site plans that will be presented to the Board of Education in the near future, according to Dick Kruse, the district's media liaison. The new school will be located on Beverly Road, just west of a City park at the northwest corner of Beverly and Henry Ruff.

Soon after the committee was formed, its members visited schools in other communities to gather ideas. Further ideas were garnered by Kingscott's professionals, who interviewed principals, teachers, support staff, and administrators to determine the needs of each. Eventually, the ideas were discussed at length, and a "total school concept" emerged. The architects then came up with three possible building designs, each with a site plan to show how it would fit into the 20-acre site.

At the committee's most recent meeting, the three alternatives were thoroughly evaluated, eventually resulting in unanimous agreement on one plan, which will soon be submitted to the Board. "The school would have several unique features designed to meet the special needs of our curriculum," said Kruse. "The CAIC [computer assisted instruction center] rooms would be connected to the media center, creating a technology center that will enable students to do a wide variety of projects.

"Hallways would have expanded areas where students could go for small-group instruction and/or tutoring," he added. "And, because the majority of classrooms would face the tree-lined wetlands along Black Creek, students could learn about nature through observation and hands-on activities."

Letters to the Editor

Editor's note: All letters to the editor must contain the writer's signature and a telephone number where he/she can be reached in order to verify the letter's authenticity. Names will be withheld by request if, in our opinion, the letter's content merits anonymity.

The Romulus News reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and, if necessary, brevity.

Chamber Complimented on Recent Fund-raiser

To the editor:

I would like to congratulate the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce on its recent wine-tasting/silent-auction benefit, which was held at the DoubleTree Hotel on Thursday, February 17. Everything was beautifully organized and tastefully presented, from the elegant table settings to the delicious dinner.

I said afterwards that the only thing missing was the soothing roll of the cruise ship.

Once again, congratulations to the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce on a very pleasant evening.

Dolores A. Witzgall

Charter School "Warned"

My ears must be deceiving me! Surely I didn't hear a majority of the Romulus City Council's members admit that, no matter how much they might like to bar a proposed charter school from locating in Romulus, they don't have the authority to do so.

Of course, I've heard Council members make similar statements in the past. I seem to recall a meeting in December of 1990, when the Council members of that day—along with then-Mayor Beverly McAnally and City Attorney Barry Seifman—acknowledged that the State preempted local authority on the siting of a hazardous-waste disposal well. Unfortunately, their statements didn't prevent them from later initiating a lawsuit against the well company.

Although I am no friend to any charter school, I think it's only fair to warn this one: Don't assume that you've won the battle. Despite Council's seeming resignation, you could still be faced with a costly lawsuit. Sadly, many City officials don't hesitate to renege on their word to gain their own political ends—no matter what the cost to others.

Joyce Tagg

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Art Has Anti-drug Theme

The Mayor's Drug Task Force has selected a total of 85 local elementary students as the winners of its annual anti-drug art contest, according to Debbie Dick, a Task Force member who is also the Recreation Director for the City of Romulus.

Students at all five of the district's elementary schools - Barth, Cory, Halecreek, Merriman, and Wick-were asked to decorate paper grocery bags in keeping with the "Follow the Leader" theme of this year's contest. Panels of parent volunteers then selected winners based on how creatively the students had used their artistic abilities to convey their message.

"The theme of this year's contest was inspired by a Motivational Productions program that encourages children to become leaders in their community," Dick explained. "The company creates video presentations that feature the popular music of today and a 'kids talking to kids' format. Young celebrities and other children share their thoughts about the importance of not using drugs or alcohol, and discuss ways that each person can use his or her unique abilities to make a positive contribution to the community.'

All winners were given a "Follow the Leader" t-shirt in recognition of their efforts. 🗆



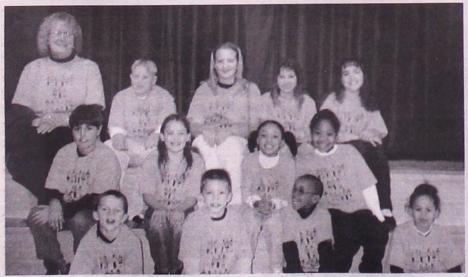
Principal Phyllis Adkins (back, left) is proud of Cory School's winners: (from left) front row - Derek Sears, Alexandria Harrington, Kaela Torres, Zachary Williams, Melissa DuFore, Jasmine Harris, and Joseph Willis; back row - Alecia Morgan, Chelsea Earby, Tiffany Penn, Carl Gillespie, Tenika Carter, and Kyle Sherwood. Not pictured: Brieana Bray and Cody Barnes.



Merriman School's winners: (from left) front row - Cameron Reaves and Alec Madison; second row - Brent Courtney, Shelby Paulus, Michael Green, Frank McCurdy, Zachary Toilolo, Dustin Foster, and Henry Young; third row - Brittany Poma, Illaysa Clark, Chantelle Griggs, Richelle Mortzfield, and Lindsey Cobb; back row - Chiara Snook, Kenny Gregory, Jessica Workman, Carmela Bonasera, and Stacy Davidson. Not pictured: Sarena Dillon.



Principal Lynne Mossoian (back, left) is proud of Halecreek School's winners: (from left) front row - Steven Leppen, Chelsea Allen, Myra Clinkscales, Kelly McGlynn, and Autumn Schuster; middle row - Karli Gibson, Olivia Boler, Louis Clinkscales, Kaitlyn McNulty, LaJill Jones, Arianna Diebel, and Travis Walker; back row - Jessica Mills, Ashlee Wells, Mario Edwards, Lester Burton, Amanda Smith, and Brianna Grover. Not pictured: Jennifer Lammers and Bethany Brink.



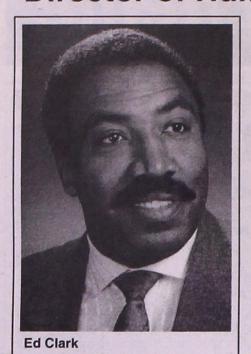
Principal Diane Golka (back, left) is proud of Barth School's winners: (from left) front row - Michael Lovelady, John Lewkowicz, Ira Brandon III, and Felicia Dean; middle row - Phillip Vaghy, Heather Doyle, Kyla Barker, and Quindai Christopher; back row - Dean Gilbert, Amanda Hollis, Anne Marie Martin, and Stephanie Spoonamore. Not pictured: Schyler Wagner and Megan Carmickle.



Principal Debbie Juriga (back) is proud of Wick School's winners: (from left) front row - Beatrice Boyd, LeAnn Dawson, Lorenzo Wilson, and Amanda Richards; middle row - Marwin Boyd, Christina Reynolds, Lauren Jones, Devon Jacquay, and Ashley Wagle; back row - Jonathon Cordner, Katrina Little, Carmen Collie, and Shaniya Dye. Not pictured: Thomas Wright, Andrea Wells, and Katrina Bunyak.

Clark Appointed To Be Next Director of Human Resources

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The Romulus Community Schools Board of Education has appointed Ed Clark as the district's new Director of Human Resources. Clark will be stepping into the position previously filled by Dr. Samuel B. La Monica (whose retirement request was accepted at the Board's February 14 meeting), and will be assuming his new duties beginning April 3.

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Employed by the district since 1972. Clark has been the Principal of Romulus Middle School since 1996. His previous posts include Assistant Principal of the Middle School; District Director in charge of the Partnership for Education, the Mentoring Program, and the Business-Education Alliance; Supervisor of Adult Education; and Adult Education teacher.

His educational training includes a Bachelor's Degree from Eastern Michigan University, a Master of Arts in management and supervision from Central Michigan University, and an Educational Administrative Specialist's Degree from Wayne State University. He is also a licensed social worker in the State of

Clark says that he's excited about serving the district and the community in his new assignment.

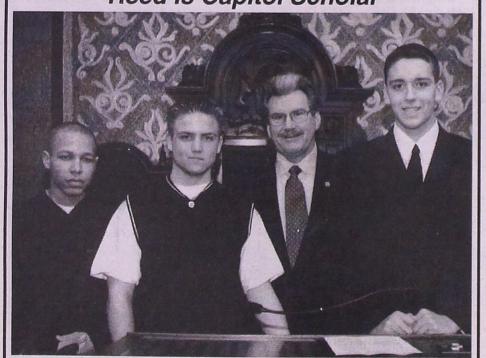
"I'm very appreciative of the opportunity that has been given to me by the Board, Dr. Bedell, and Mr. Carr," said Clark, referring to the current superintendent and assistant superintendent, respectively. "Our district will be making a lot of exciting new improvements in the next couple of years, and I'm looking forward to the challenge of being a part of that process."

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Reed Is Capitol Scholar



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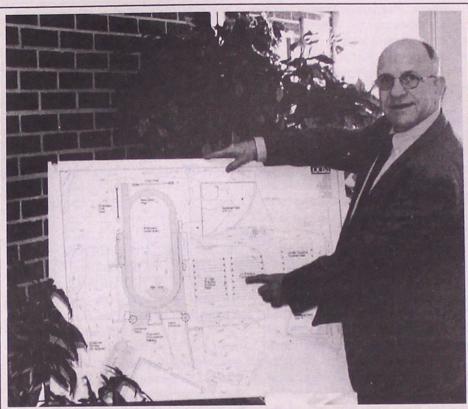
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Romulus Board of Education Awards Bleacher Contract



Dr. Samuel La Monica, Director of Human Resources for Romulus Community Schools, displays plans for improvements to the Middle School's athletic facilities.

The Romulus Board of Education has awarded the contract for Romulus Middle School's new home-field bleachers and press box to the Sturdisteel Co. of Waco, Texas, which put in the low bid of \$190,400 for the project.

District spokesperson Dick Kruse reports that the new bleachers will have a capacity of 1,223, including up to 22 wheelchairs.

Access to the bleachers will be in the form of ramps known as vomitoriums - so called due to their similarity to passageways in Roman amphitheaters. The ramps will lead under the stands to three exits - one at each end and one in the center - to provide fans with easy access to and from the parking lot.

The bleachers will be positioned between the two existing light poles so as to offer excellent visibility of the field, according to Athletic Committee member Don Foley. Fans will no longer be annoyed by having to stare into the setting sun in order to watch their favorite athletes perform.

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spaces to the area under the stands. The feature will also be appreciated by fans who have a tendency to inadvertently knock their belongings off the seat during moments of excitement.

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The press box, with dimensions of 30 feet by eight feet, will include a rooftop area for videotaping and scouting purposes. The roof will have all the necessary restraints and barriers required by code for safety purposes. Appropriate electical outlets for the PA system, scoreboard, etc., will be installed, as well as heaters at both ends of the press box.

A completion date of August 18, 2000, has been projected.

In the meantime, the Athletic Committee continues to work on other projects within its purview, including the placement of various ball fields at the Middle School, parking areas, and the concession stand. Plans call for this work to be completed in time for fans' enjoyment of the 2000 football season.

Members of the Athletic Committee include Board of Education members Debbie Dick, Alan Lambert, and Eva Webb; Dr. Samuel B. La Monica, Director of Human Resources; Jesse Meriweather, Athletic Director; Doug Hoffman, Principal of Romulus High School; teachers Foley, Lance Knudson, Al Wilkerson, and Tom Williams; support staffers Rosalie Berlinn, Don Makowski, and Lynn Moore; and parents David Jones and Ken Mientkiewicz.

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They found a diverse group of favorites ranging from well-known books by noteworthy authors produced by large publishers, Junior Leagues, or other civic organizations, to charismatic little community cookbooks that rarely get known beyond their own neighborhoods.

"We open ourselves for whatever comes down the pike," Moseley said. "We don't judge a book by its cover. We go deeper than that, and lots of the creative recipes come from tiny communities that don't have a lot of money to put out an expensive cookbook. But that's also where many of the best recipes come from."

After collecting cookbooks from all over the State and choosing the ones to be included, the editors were faced with the almost overwhelming task of wading through the mounds of contributed recipes. "We reviewed so many delicious recipes that it was difficult to decide on the 400 or so to be included," says McKee

From newer recipes like Crispy Pita Triangles and Heavenly Cherry Angel Food Trifle, to common Michigan favorites like Old Settler's Beans, Pasties, and Mom Miller's Old Fashioned Pumpkin Pie, this book has something for everyone. There are even some mysterious-sounding recipes like Red Dog Treats and Chef Larry's Blessing!

Collectively, the recipes from these cookbooks convey the unique variety of Michigan cooking. The recipes not only produce delicious meals, but provide an insight into Midwestern culture and people.

"We were amazed to find so much diversity," said McKee. "Recipes like

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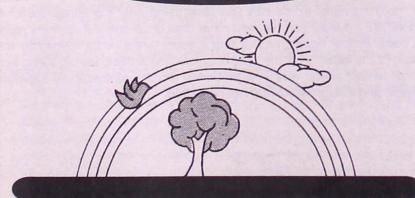
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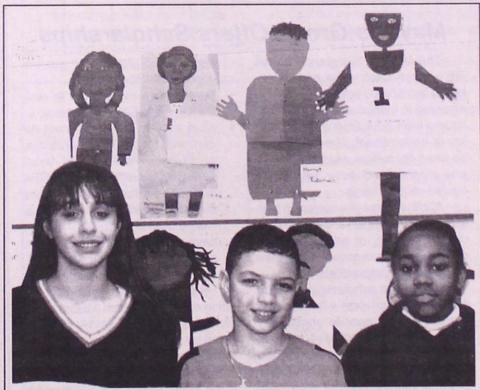
Merriman sixth-graders starring in a play about Harriet Tubman's life as a teenager include Tiffany Bradley (right) as Harriet and Amanda Haney as the narrator.

Merriman Elementary School is inviting the public to attend its "African-American Millennium Celebration" in honor of Black History Month. The event - set for Tuesday, February 29, from 4 to 8:30 p.m. - will feature a presentation of "The Life of Harriet Tubman" (beginning at 6 p.m.) as well as a performance by the 21st-century Choir (under the direction of Ellen Bragg), music by Straight Ahead and Ellen Bragg, and a "Sugar & Spice" book sale. A short talk will be given by the evening's guest speaker, the Reverend Arthur C. Willis. Refreshments will be served.

The celebration is the culmination of many school projects that took place throughout February - everything from scavenger hunts to the preparation of showcases, bulletin boards, and reports.

Students at Wick school have also been preparing reports on the contributions that African Americans have made to society.

Brittany Hampton, for instance, chose to write about Madame C.J. Walker, who became famous for developing hair-care products in the 1840s and achieving millionaire status in the process. John Sandefur wrote about Benjamin Banneker, who invented a particular kind of clock in 1789, while Lindsay Beregsasy chose to research the accomplishments of Victoria's Secret super model, Tyra Banks. Q



(From left) Lindsay Beregsasy, John Sandefur, and Brittany Hampton from Tavia Redmond's sixth-grade class at Wick have been researching famous black Americans who have made a significant contribution to

RHS Band Students Earn Eight First-division Marks at Festival



First-division winners included (from left): front row – Jessica Nieman and Dinah Malosh; back row – Josephine Denys, Amber Bowman, Amy Hudson, and Moriah Holbrook.

A total of eight first-division ratings were earned by Romulus High School band students who participated in the District 12 Solo and Ensemble Festival, held Saturday, January 30, at Livonia Franklin High School.

"Our students were well prepared, and presented many fine performances – as their ratings would indicate," said Henry James, band director.

Earning first-division marks with solo performances were Amber Bowman (two – flute and violin), Moriah Holbrook (clarinet), Dinah Malosh (French horn), and Jessica Nieman (French horn).

Ensembles receiving a first-division rating were Dinah Malosh and Jessica Nieman (French horn duet); Kristen Brooks, Kim Mingo, and Michael Sandusky (flute trio); and Amber Bowman, Kristen Brooks, Josephine Denys, Amy Hudson, and Kim Mingo (flute quintet).

Second-division marks were received by Amy Hudson (flute solo), Emily Schultz (flute solo and piano solo), Julian Lambert (piano solo), and Kristen Godard and Bobbie Lindsay (flute and clarinet duet).

Mayor's Group Offers Scholarships

The Mayor's Substance Abuse Task Force Committee has established two \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded to individuals who are continuing their education in a secondary or trade school. The money can be used for tuition, fees, books, or any materials directly related to course requirements.

Applicants may be seniors in high school, students in an alternative education program, or adults who are returning to school or continuing their graduate or postgraduate studies.

One of the scholarships will be awarded to someone who has fostered a commitment to community service. The other will be given to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding aptitude, skills, and abilities in a specific track of vocational education.

In both cases, financial need will be a determining factor.

In order to meet other general criteria, the applicant must:

- be able to provide proof of residence in the City of Romulus;
- have a copy of his/her most recent transcript, GED certificate, or diploma (note: for the vocational scholarship, overall GPA will not be a factor; only classes directly related to the career track will be considered):
- have two letters of reference from school officials, community leaders, family members, or friends.

Applications are available in the office of Mayor William M. Oakley at Romulus City Hall (11111 Wayne Road, at Goddard). The completed forms must be returned there by 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, in order to be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. The group will also conduct oral interviews before awarding the scholarships.



CAN YOU GUESS WHO?

You might not have known our "mystery woman" when this picture was taken, but her adult face is familiar to many people in the City of Romulus.

To learn her identity, anagram (rearrange) each "key word" below — WITH THE ADDITION OF ONE LETTER — to answer the corresponding clue, and fill in the blanks accordingly.

If the puzzle is done correctly, the added letters, read from top to bottom, will spell out the name of this local citizen.

ADD THE LETTER ... TO THE LETTERS IN ... TO GET

FILMY Business (Connery/Hoffman film)
ERODES support, as a political candidate
BINGE not malignant
ASTER Yamaguchi or Kwan, for example
FRIES role for Matthew Broderick
CHAP the "Georgia" (nickname for Ty Cobb)
" (E.A. Poe story)
SNAIL succeeded Lenin as leader of the USSR
CASTE Native Americans defeated by Cortés
BIRDS rubble or litter
FACTS makes by hand
For solution, see page 9

YOU'LL FIND IT IN "ADVERTISE"

How many six-letter words can you form using only the letters found in ADVERTISE? A letter can be used more than once only if it appears more than once. Proper nouns, plurals and present-tense verbs formed by the addition of the letter "s" at the end, obsolete and archaic words, slang and informal words, poetic words, hyphenated words, contractions, alternate spellings, and foreign words are not permitted.

Our list of 43 words can be found on page 9

Community Calendar

- "Health, Family, and You" Dinner The Romulus Community Schools' 21st-century Community Learning Center invites your family to attend a "Health, Family, and You" Dinner featuring a menu of pizza, salad, and beverages from 6 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 2 (Wick Elementary) or Thursday, March 16 (Merriman Elementary). The programs will also feature a discussion of the topic "Heart Smart and Food Art" by the district's nurse. Although there is no charge to attend, everyone is asked to preregister so that there will be enough food. Call 734-722-1050, ext. 273.
- Free Tax Help at the Library Pamela Roberson of the IRS will be at the Romulus Public Library (11121 Wayne Road) from 12 to 4 p.m. March 4, March 18, April 1, and April 8 to assist citizens with their tax forms on a firstcome/first-served basis. For more information, call 734-942-7589.
- St. Aloysius Hosts Blood Drive St. Aloysius Catholic Church will host a Red Cross blood drive in memory of Dee Dick from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 5, in the basement of the Church (11280 Ozga Road). Walkins are welcome, or call for an appointment: 734-941-5056 or 941-1009.
- Business/Professional Women's Club Meets Any individual who believes in helping women is welcome to join the Belleville chapter of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. The group's next meeting is set for Monday, March 6, at the Belleville Grille. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$13.50. Call 734-697-6677.
- Dinner Benefits Police Officer's Daughter A spaghetti dinner to raise money for the medical care of Paige Nickrand daughter of the Huron Police Department's Liaison Officer for the Huron School District will be held at St. Stephen Church (located on Huron River Drive in New Boston) on Thursday, March 9, from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids four to twelve are available at the municipal buildings for the City of Belleville and the townships of Huron, Sumpter, and Van Buren, as well as from court officers and other employees at the 34th District Court.
- Baseball Clinic Romulus High School's baseball coaching staff will conduct a one-day baseball clinic in the High School gym on Saturday, March 11, from 10 a.m. to noon (grades three to five) and from 1 to 3 p.m. (grades six to eight). The clinic will focus on fundamentals: hitting, pitching, catching, and infield/outfield play. Cost is \$10 per child. Sign up at the City's Recreation Center (36515 Bibbins) or call Keith Brothers (734-942-6852).
- Kids' Craft Program at the Library The next in the Romulus Public Library's seasonal craft classes for children in grades kindergarten through five will be held at the Library (11121 South Wayne Road, next to City Hall) on Saturday, March 11, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Although the class is free, preregistration is required. For more information, call 734-942-7589.
- In-Balance Center Hosts Annual Herb Conference The In-Balance Center of Romulus will host its 13th Annual Herb Conference at the Romulus Marriott (30559 Flynn Drive) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 8. Ray Lambert, guest speaker, will discuss Nature's Sunshine, the Intestinal System, and Weight Loss. A vegetarian lunch is included in the \$40 (nonrefundable) ticket price. RSVP by March 29. Call 734-941-8778.
- Crafters Wanted Romulus High School's Class of 2002 invites the public
 to attend its Spring Craft Show, set for Sunday, April 9, at the High School.
 Table space is still available to crafters who would like to participate in this
 increasingly popular show. Call Rosalie Berlinn (734-941-2170, ext. 162).
- RHS Class of 1970 To Hold 30-year Reunion Romulus High School's Class of 1970 is planning to hold its 30-year reunion on Saturday, August 26. For information, contact Gail (Howie) Curaba (734-697-1763), Roy and Cathy (Miank) Szyndlar (734-699-3139), or Jim Wagner (699-9050).
- Attention, Class of 1950! Romulus High School's Class of 1950 will hold its 50-year reunion on Saturday, September 16, at the Wayne County Fair Grounds (Quirk Road, Belleville). Upper- and underclassmen also welcome. Call Donna (Rehkop) Genovese (734-941-0293) or Ruth (Stevenson) Meyers (734-941-0254), or contact Don Koza online (www.bilygoat.id.com). Note: Six class members Richard Allen, Joan Annesser, Ardith Murdick, Eileen Musser, Arnold Woods, and Dorothy Zakolski are still missing. Call one of the numbers above if you have information to share.

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174–0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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The Police Report

"Click It or Ticket" Advise Romulus Police

By Joe Richardson, Crime Prevention Officer, Romulus Police Department

Beware! On March 10, 2000, a new safety-belt law goes into effect.

The law allows police officers to stop a vehicle if they observe any of the following:

- · an unbelted driver,
- · an unbelted front-seat passenger,
- an improperly restrained child.
 Motorists should be aware that Public Act 29 requires:
- children under the age of four to be secured in a child-safety seat, regardless of whether they are in the front or rear seat;
- children ages four through fifteen to be belted, regardless of whether they are in the front or rear seat;
- drivers and all other front-seat passengers, regardless of age, to be properly belted.



So, please: click it and avoid a ticket. You just may save your own life, or that of someone you love.

Editor's note: Officer Richardson welcomes your questions, comments, and/or ideas for news articles. Call him at 734-942-6871.

Cut Gas Costs With Tips from AAA

With gas prices 50¢ a gallon higher than a year ago, AAA Michigan offers a dozen simple, money-saving suggestions to ease sticker shock at the pumps.

- Slow down. Even a five-mile-perhour decrease in speed can affect gas mileage. Watch your tachometer to gauge engine performance.
- Keep tires properly inflated. Underinflated tires can cut fuel economy by a half percent per pound of pressure below recommended levels.
- Give your car a full tune-up, as recommended by the manufacturer, including a regular oil/oil-filter change.
 A poorly tuned engine can increase fuel consumption by more than 50%.
- Don't purchase mid-grade or premium gasoline unless it is considered necessary by the vehicle's manufacturer. Using self-serve regular fuel compared to premium can save an average of 17¢ per gallon.
- Don't let your vehicle idle for more than a minute. Idling consumes up to one gallon of gas per hour and wastes more fuel than restarting the engine.
- Accelerate gently, brake gradually, and avoid hard stops.
- Combine errands into one trip or go to one location to take care of as many errands as possible.
- When traveling, avoid excess weight and reduce use of car-top carriers and trailers. Additional weight and vehicle add-ons negatively affect aerodynamics, causing engines to work harder and burn more gas.
- · Car-pool when possible.
- Travel during off-peak times, avoiding rush hour.
- Check the engine oil level when buying gas to be sure that the engine is lubricated properly.
- Large trucks which pull heavy loads and are less aerodynamic than cars

 see even greater gains in fuel efficiency with decreased speed. For every one-mile-per-hour increase above 55 mph, fuel efficiency generally decreases about 2.2%. □

FOR SALE

Mountain Treeing Feist puppy is six weeks old and ready for new home. Call 734-753-4110

Answers

answers to puzzles from page 8

CAN YOU GUESS WHO?

Family, endorse, benign, skater, Ferris, Peach, Burial, Stalin, Aztecs, debris, crafts "(TRN sales representative)

Ann Kreutzer"

YOU'LL FIND IT IN . . .

advert, advise, averse, dative, derive, desert, desire, devise, dieter, direst, divers, divert, divest, driest, easier, erased, evader, ideate, raised, reside, rested, revise, satire, seared, seated, sedate, served, sieved, stared, starve, staved, stride, strive, teared, teased, teaser, tiered, tirade, varied, vaster, versed, vested, visaed

Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

Congratulations to the following students whose dedication and hard work earned them a spot on their school's honor-roll and/or perfect-attendance list during the second marking period of the 1999–2000 school year.

Barth Elementary

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades. Fifth Grade – Mr. Blackburn

Leon Britton, Jr., Tiffany Gray, Dean Kovacs, Anne Marie Martin, and Michael Wolfe.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kline

Carissa Franklin, Alysa Long, Stephanie Spoonamore, and Dakota Watson.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

*Megan Bearman, Bradley Bills, Jarran Booker, Jeannie Hayes, Amanda Hollis, Ronald Kreutzer, Justin Maupin, Anisa Rakic, and Patricia Silvey.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Reott

*Ronald Carter, Jr., Katrell Duncan, *Lindsy Green, Jennifer Hunter, *Ashley Moss, Chrisma Nathaniel, Kristine Plank, and Skylar Winter.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - I

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – I" category earned an "A" or "B" in all subjects.

Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Diamond Aldson, Samantha Bankey, Patricia Dancy, Rose Shelly, Adam Thornsbury, Chelsea Tyree, Samantha Watson, and Spencer Winter.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Daniel Antosik, Derek Bennett, Emily Doyle, David Forbush, Ross Hadyniak, Cheyenne Oakley, Brittany Rodgers, Jessica Sylvester, Erik Washington, and Mary Ann Watts.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Jasmine Colquitt, Heather Doyle, Kourtney Hamilton, Adam Hammond, Kaleb Heil, Whitney Kelsey, Amelia Pelayo, and Victoria Rak.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Rachel Arthur, Jordan Bowden, Stacy Fabinski, Miranda Gubaci, Raymont Holt, Jr., Justin Kuderik, Jeveon Lee, Rebecca Lewkowicz, Leanna Pioli, Rick Schonscheck, Sean Sedgeman, Phillip Vaghy, Devon Walker, and Tricia Wanamaker.

Mr. Wood

David Brown, Adam Dunn, Precious Richardson, Elijah White, and Natalie Wilson.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - II

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – II" category earned an "A" or "B" in language arts, reading, and math

Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Aime Brown and Jory King.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Kayla Dizney and Anthony Kersey.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Christopher Hammar and Nicholas Miller.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Natalie Diaz, Heather Leigh, Camille Sylvester, and Chad Williams.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - IIIa

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – IIIa" category earned an "A" or "B" in language arts and reading.

Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Tina-Marie Carter, Quindai Christopher, and Holly Schonscheck.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

John Collins IV, Chelsea Hay, Samantha Kreutzer, and Alexandra Winters.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Steven Hicks, Jr., and Joshua Zilka.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Rashima Courtney.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - IIIb

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – IIIb" category earned an "A" or "B" in language arts and math.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Amelia Britz and Kristin Leigh.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - IIIc

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – IIIc" category earned an "A" or "B" in reading and reading.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Brandyn Martin.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Jeremy Kirtley and Jeff Makowski.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Sheryl Davis and Brittney Heil.

Mr. Wood

Stephon Archie, Brian Fowler, Gary Hemmingway, Jr., Michael Hudson, and Dominique Walker.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - IVa

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – IVa" category earned an "A" or "B" in language arts.

Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Shelby Green, Mariah Johnson, and David Plank.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Kyla Barker, Katie Koester, and Alexis Moore.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Darius Green, Tiffany Hutcherson, Jesse Kennedy, and Alonzo Wallace.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - IVb

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – IVb" category earned an "A" or "B" in reading.

Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Thomas Bonner II, Anthony Cofield, Jesse Howe, and Kanaya Williams.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Monique Walker.

Mr. Wood

Megan Carmickle, Mark Proctor, and Ashley Rumley.

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE - IVC

Note: Students in the "Striving for Excellence – IVc" category earned an "A" or "B" in math.

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Christen Bowman, Maura Harris, and Carrie Sawdy.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Misty Farner and James Mattson III.

Mr. Wood

Dawone Allison, Grant Duprie, Tyjuan Hale, and Eric Robbins.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten "A" - Mrs. Richard

Austin Bishop, Heather Dotson, Mindy Ellison, Jordan Frayer, Anthony Silvey, and Thomas VanAssche IV.

Kindergarten "B" - Mrs. Richard

Andrew Burcroff, Derrian Cooley, Jeane Elam, Joseph Forbush, Holly Hammond, Jeffery Harris, Dayna Hearod, Sherrod Mack, Savannah Moffat, Joshua Rodgers, and John Watts, IV.

First Grade - Mrs. Fisher

Aprell Arthur, Ira Brandon III, Nathan Cotham, Spencer DeFelice, Sarah Freeman, and Jesse McGrane.

First Grade - Mrs. Street

Christopher Adams, Christopher Britz, Darrin Crawford, Amber Davidson, Yancey George, Robert Hayes, Jacob Heil, Dakota Kirtley, Briana McVay, Justin Sawdy, and Travis Trout.

Second Grade - Mrs. Montroy

Robert Bodis, Joseph Herbert, Alexis Jones, John Nathaniel, Sheila Reeves, Rebecca Ward, Sheila Watts, and Mason Whitmore.

Second Grade - Mrs. Withey

Curon Bradford, Michael Lovelady, Shawn Reeves, Melissa Robbins, Daijah Street, and Brittany Wilkewitz.

Third Grade - Mrs. Abela

Derrick Baker, Samantha Bankey, Thomas Bonner II, Patricia Dancy, Rose Shelly, and Spencer Winter.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gursky

Kyla Barker, Kylynn Brooks, Kayla Dizney, Anthony Kersey, Samantha Kreutzer, Brandyn Martin, Kelly Mays, Erik Washington, Mary Ann Watts, and Erik Williams

Fourth Grade - Miss Fritz

Jasmine Colquitt, Darius Green, Christopher Hammar, Kaleb Heil, Jeremy Kirtley, Jeffrey Makowski, Amelia Pelayo, and Carrie Sawdy.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Winter

Rachel Arthur, Jordan Bowden, Raymont Holt, Jr., Jeveon Lee, Tricia Wanamaker, and Chad Williams.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Blackburn

Melissa Brewington, Anthony Williams, Lamar Williams, and Michael Wolfe.

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kline

Rusty Harris, Cordis Hayes, Orlando Hoults, Amanda Kreutzer, Julian Lee, Alysa Long, William Turner, Benjamin Tuttle, Jacob VanAssche, Dakota Watson, and Amber Younglove.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Baty

Jarran Booker and Justin Ferrell.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Reott

Ronald Baker II, Joshua Carroll, Christopher Case, Benjamin DeFelice, Katrell Duncan, Lindsy Green, Jennifer Hunter, Chrisma Nathaniel, Joshua Sawdy, Stacey Shreve, Jr., and Skylar Winter.

Ms. Sagmani

Devonte Nelson, Richard West, and David Williams.

Mr Wood

Stephon Archie, Michael Hudson, and Precious Richardson.

Cory Elementary

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades.

Third Grade - Ms. McGlynn

Nicholas Curry, Abiola Emanuel, *Christina Gillespie, *Mariah Haney, Josiah Jackson, Ondre Mathews, Nicole Siemaszko, Martel Smith, *Kaela Torres, Megan Watson, and India Williams.

Third Grade - Ms. Price

*Cody Barnes, Jessica Cronk, Justin Hartman, Nigerria Simpson, Danielle Stephens, and Sam Wells.

Third Grade - Ms. Roberts

Christine Amis, Meriah Chapman, *Rodney Cofield, *Melissa DuFore, Edward Hall, Kayla Harris, *Aaron Preston, Eric Savitskie, Ashley Wilson, and Amanda Zavitz.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Lybik

Michael Carter, Melissa Cofield, Cameron Davidson, Kassie Gray, Rebecca Hall, Anjenette Hood, Kandice Penn, *Jacob Pykor, *Kyle Sherwood, Leroy Talley, and Denzell Taylor.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

*Chelsea Earby, Patrick Farkas, Cameron Jackson, Chris Johnson, Amanda Kurzyniec, Chris McGovern, *Marjorie Miskey, Larry Nastal, Johnny Reid, Patricia Reyna, Aaron Rollin, and *Clara Windom.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

Jasmine Brown, Brian Cummings, Alecia Morgan, Darius Ross, *Thomas Slatinsky, *Akara Stoval, and Beatrice Thornton.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Sarah Berger, Yetunde Emanuel, and Mariay Watt.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Nicole Carroll, Amber Cruce, Rashaunda Graham, Rebecca Labo, *Aurielle McCauley, Tiffany Penn, LeJohnna Reid, Justin Sledd, Eric Smith, Jacqueline Smith, Cherelle Smith-Noyd, Tina Smyth, Renea Sperry, and Theresa Windom.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Lauren Belle, Sammantha Chapman, *Doloris Garry, Alan Huguley, *Brian Rodger, Arlennea Savage, and Antonia Walker.

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Romulus Schools Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

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Sixth Grade - Ms. Williams

*Ayibatari Burutolu, Tamara Carney, *Carmen Coleman, *Carl Gillespie, *Anthony Groce, Sara Johnson, Kourtney Lester, Quinton Mark, Sharise Poole, Khyla Ross, and Thomas Rutherford.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Third Grade - Ms. McGlynn

Samuel Cox, Eugene Dixon, Alaura Harper, and Megan Lawrence.

Third Grade - Ms. Price

Cody Barnes, Britnee Bishop, Jessica Cronk, Justin Hartman, Dale Jackson, Jordan Reavis, Alexis Riley, Dominique Ross, Nigerrea Simpson, and Sam Wells.

Third Grade - Ms. Roberts

Christine Amis, Tabitha Canterbury, Meriah Chapman, Rodney Cofield, Markis Darden, Melissa DuFore, Edward Hall, Kayla Harris, Ashley Hidey, Ashley Meinicke, Jon Mundy, Aaron Preston, Eric Savitskie, Evonda Scott, Cedric Staples, James Wells, Ashley Wilson, and Amanda Zavitz.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Lybik

Michael Carter, Christine Celske, Melissa Cofield, Brittany Courtland, Michael Curry, Kassandra Gray, Douglas Lawrence, Jacquelyn Logan, Kandice Penn, Brittany Perry, Justin Scott, and Leroy Talley.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

Eric Berger, Latiesa Burnett, Camille Crawford, Chelsea Earby, Patrick Farkas, Janelle Farley, Jeremiah Hanner, Michael Hardway, Kallie Harris, Chris Johnson, Amanda Kurzyniec, Jennifer Logan, Chris McGovern, Marjorie Miskey, Larry Nastal, Reginald Pratt, Patricia Reyna, and Ryan West.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Walters

Rachia Bohannon, Jasmine Brown, Christopher Cole, Bianca Courtland, Adam Costello, Brian Cummings, Roger Groce, Alan Jones, Briana King, Janiece McNeal, Alecia Morgan, Tiara Moton, Kevin Riley, Ryan Samuels, Thomas Slatinsky, Kevin Sperry, Akara Stovall, Beatrice Thornton, Calicia Warren, Aissha Watkins, Darius White, Brian Winborn, and Mantez Wooden.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Maurice Anderson, Sarah Berger, Brieana Bray, Richard Camacho, Courtney Chaney, Ronnie Clever, Jamarie Crawford, Mariss Cronk, Jasmine Davis, Dwayne Edwards, Yetunde Emanuel, Demetrious Fowler, Cassandra Hayton, Antionice Hearst, William Howell III, Lonnie Lawrence, Nicholas Lewis, Kirk Patterson, Trisha Shotts, Tiffany Usher, Heather VanBuren, Justin Wasiak, Mariav Watt, and Chad Wilkinson.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Jason Burnett, Nicòle Carroll, Daniel Cross, Amber Cruce, Bennie Dickerson, Jeffrey DuFore, Rashonda Graham, James Hayes, Ernest Holton, Rebecca Labo, Shannon Lowrey, Aurielle McCauley, LaRhonda Newton, Jessica Pare, Tiffany Penn, LeJohnna Reid, Chris Scott, Justin Sledd, AleSandra Smith, Eric Smith, Jacqueline Smith, Tina Smyth, Cherelle Smith-Noyd, Renea Sperry, Dondre Tate, Kenneth Wilbur, and Theresa Windom.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Christopher Avery, Wayne Barlow, Rvan Barnes, Lauren Belle, Christian Blackman, Tenika Carter, Elvis Celske, Sammantha Chapman, Tiffany Claiborne, Darryl Cofield, Malerie Darden, Danna Fennoy, Angel Ford, Doloris Garry, Anthony Glimps, Nicole Goodman, Felicia Graham, Bridgette Hawes, Alan Huguley, Jessica Moore, Richard Reaume, Kevin Reed, Dustin Riordan, Brian Rodger, Nathan Samuels, Arlennea Savage, Jessica Sears, Michael Stump, Antonia Walker, Miranda Ward, Steven Wells, Sherika Wester, LeRodd Williams, Teresa Williams, and Shannon Wright.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Williams

Kim Adams, Chanisa Burnett, Ayibatari Burutolu, Tamara Carney, Angelica Crawford, Kaia Dallas, Christina Gavin, Carl Gillespie, Ashley Johnson, Sara Johnson, Tina Jones, Jeffrey Kurzyniec, Kourtney Lester, Tenija Moton, Michelle Oliver, Flenora Peacher, Sharise Poole, Anne Ross, Khyla Ross, Thomas Rutherford, Dara Simmons, and Monica Wells.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten "A" - Ms. Cristini

Demetrius Holmes, Terrance James, Jenafir Kennedy, Jessika Kennedy, Kevin Makela, Azia Riley, and Abigail

Kindergarten "B" - Ms. Cristini

Megan Bratcher, Franchella Foreman, ShaVeeta Hall, Kayte Nickel, Steven Pratt, and Lazé Yharbough.

First Grade - Ms. Barrs

Kyra Crawford, Tiffany Cummings, Stephon Edwards, and Heather Mason. First Grade - Ms. Green

Benjamin Hojnowski, Shauntia Sanford, Shennay Strong, Jasmine

Tatum, Jasmine White, and Shane Wilkinson.

First Grade - Ms. Watson

Zachary Curry, Brittni Hilliard, Zoatta Hogan, Mark Hughes, and Zachary Williams.

Second Grade - Ms. Baluk

Catherine Bratcher, Antionette Hemphill, David Miller, and Krystal Wegrzyn.

Second Grade - Ms. Kahler

Danielle Cox, Mercedes Hawes, Amber Sears, and Amber Wood.

Third Grade - Ms. McGlynn

Abiola Emanuel, Megan Lawrence, and Martel Smith.

Third Grade - Ms. Price

Jessica Cronk, Le'Aia Gilkey, Ronald Kersey, and Alexis Riley.

Third Grade - Ms. Roberts

Michael Allen, Christine Amis, Meriah Chapman, Melissa DuFore, and Amanda Zavitz.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Lybik

Calvin Crawford, Rebecca Hall, Brittany Perry, and Leroy Talley.

Fourth Grade - Ms. Pluff

Latiesa Burnett, Cameron Jackson, Amanda Kurzyniec, Christopher Mc-Govern, Evans Paillere, Johnny Reid, Aaron Rollin, Steven Sanders, and Clara Windom.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Miller

Courtney Chaney, Yetunde Emanuel, Antionice Hearst, Lonnie Lawrence, Kirk Patterson, Cornell West, and Chad Wilkinson.

Fifth Grade - Ms. Sims

Nicole Carroll, Aurielle McCauley, LeJohnna Reid, Eric Smith, Jacqueline Smith, and Theresa Windom.

Sixth Grade - Mr. Smith

Elvis Celske, Sammantha Chapman, Doloris Garry, Anthony Glimps, Bridgette Hawes, Brian Rodger, Arlennea Savage, Jessica Sears, Michael Stump, and Antonia Walker.

Sixth Grade - Ms. Williams

Chanisa Burnett, Ayibatari Burutolu, Tamara Carney, Carmen Coleman, Jeffrey Kurzyniec, Khyla Ross, and Brittani

Halecreek Elementary HIGH HONORS

Fifth Grade

Joseph Lewis, Maureen McGlynn, Jessica Mills, Lauren Nierman, Mattea St. Peter, and Kevin Stobbe.

Sixth Grade

Amanda Bailey, Brian DeMoisey, Jennifer Lammers, Jonathan McLachlan, Cory Mortzfield, Brandon Ross, Kevin Stockton, and Diana Thompson. HONOR ROLL

Fifth Grade

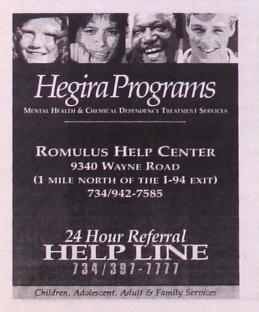
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Wick Elementary HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades. Third Grade - Mrs. Albus

*Levi Adams, Romel Arrington, Ryan Bassett, Raheem Brown, Brad Burcroff, Joshua Horne, *Lauren Jones, Sean Matatall, Alisha Moon, Quinn Nash, Latrice Parnell, *Antoine Patterson, Chantal Payne, Alton Peterson, *Ricky Rutherford, and Asia Shariff.

Third Grade - Mrs. Gable

Joseph Dent, Christopher Fultz, Jamie Griffin, Amber Hahn, Kyara Lee, *Stephanie Monroe, Felicia Olson, Lexiss Perskins, *Grant Pizzo, and Kiarra Sandefur.

Third Grade - Mrs. Zeleji

Jasmine Abney, Lauren Alley, DeAndre Brewer, Krystal Burrell, Kiarrah Jackson, Edwin Lewis, Tamica Mosley, Demitrius Price, Nicole Sattler, Jon Swaggerty, and *September Waites.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Barnes

Dean Burcroff, Shaniya Dye, Stefinie Holbrook, Larry Horne, Tanisha Hubbard, Lawrence Jones, Jacob Krell, Alicia Matatall, Jasmine Parnell, *Shauna Pitman, Justin Price, and Stephanie Rutherford.

Fourth Grade - Mr. Bingaman

Antoine Baines, Ashley Chandler, *Carmen Collie, Jonathon Denys, Christopher Floyd, *Valencia Mathews, *Celeste Moody, Ashley Simmons, Jessica Wallace, and Brandon Williams.

Fourth Grade - Mrs. Motvka

Heather Bavol, Marwin Boyd, Tiffani Cannon, Kristen Dubisky, *Steven Hawes, Rachel Jensen, Thomas Kortas, Nicole Love, Darius Osborne, *Samuel Pizzo, and Matthew Wagle.

Fifth Grade - Mr. Gibb-Randall

Brianna Ashby, *Andrew Boyd, *Jessica Dick, *Jennifer Dick, Georgea Frye, Tatiana Gray, Carrie Hampton, *Antoine James, Kathleen Marcum, Darius Price, *Richard Remelius, Alex Sampson, *Monay Smith, Kandice Wells, and *Shakita Wilson,

Fifth Grade - Mrs. Kyte

Shon Aggison, Jason Britton, Taniesha Burkes, *Katelyn Crozier, Dyess Cortez, Jaclyn Evanski, Demaryst Garwood, Quintin Gregory, Daniel Hoskins, Katrina Little, Cherica Peoples, Ashley Rodgers, Kevana Smith, Bethany Strain, and *Brittany Wright.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Meredith

Aleisha Curry, Shamika Eldridge, Jaime Hidalgo, Michael Hudson, Alicia Jackson, Marco Little, Chrishawna Meeks, Joshua Rivera, Bobby Russell, Shantrice Tatum, and Lorenzo Wilson.

Sixth Grade - Mrs. Redmond

James Bell, Richard Bennett, *Lindsay Beregsasy, James Blanton, *Megan Crozier, Jason Elwell, Ashley Horyn, Danielle Keller, John Sandefur, *Siera Stewart, Michelle Thomas, Jeremiah Warren, *Patricia Williams, and Lola Wynn.

Sixth Grade - Miss Richard

Brittni Brown, Merrika Brown, *Brittany Hampton, Monét McCroan, Travis Parker, Jonathon Rafalski, and Erin Strain.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

M/W Kindergarten - Mrs. Wood

Aaliyah Eatmon, Edmon Hogan, Dylan Martinez, Frederick McAnnally, and Janée Warren.

T/Th Kindergarten - Mrs. Wood Jackson Pizzo.

M/W Kindergarten - Ms. McCabe

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REGULAR MEETING, JANUARY 24, 2000

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, January 24, 2000, was called to order at 6:31 P.M. by President Betty M. Lenossi

Roll call showed all members present. All administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lenossi.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

1/00/10 Moved by Woods supported by Lambert that the Agenda be amended to include VI. F. 1., "Credit Card Documents," as requested by Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Moved by Lambert supported by McCraight that the Board approve the Minutes of January 10, 2000, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

Moved by Lambert supported by Woods that the Board accept the resignation of Amy Lesemann, Teacher, Community High School, Effective January 28, 2000. Aves: 7. Navs: 0. Motion carried.

1/00/13 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert that the Board approve the resolution in recognition of years of service to the Romulus Community Schools for Genevieve Dugan. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

1/00/14 Moved by Lambert supported by Berlinn that the Board approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Contract - Athletic Field Bleachers and Press Box

Moved by Dick supported by Lambert that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Athletic Committee, the construction manager, the architect, and the administration to award a contract to Sturdisteel Company to supply and erect the bleachers and press box as bid for a cost of \$190,400. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried. Social Studies Report

Messrs. Kidwell and Clark and Mesdames Moore, Silveri, and Knight updated the Board of Education on the District's social studies curriculum. They also responded to questions posed by members of the Board.

High School Curriculum Changes

Information item, only. Mr. Tom Dolan, Director of Curriculum, discussed the High School curriculum changes with the Board of Education.

Credit Card Documents

1/00/16 Moved by Berlinn supported by Woods that the Board of Education authorize their secretary to sign the attached documents to provide additional credit cards to Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, and Mr. Tom Dolan, Director of Curriculum, to aid the Board and staff in travel arrangements. Ayes: 7. Navs: 0. Motion carried

Spanish Class Trip

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, discussed with the Board of Education the planned trip to Mexico by the Spanish students at the High School April 14-22, 2000. Informational item, only

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience voiced their concerns and posed questions to members of the Board of Education relative to the operation of the School District.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board of Education: 1) Finance Committee Minutes; 2) Berlinn Letter -WCASB; and 3) Romulus Recognition - National School Board Association.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

A committee was appointed to investigate the possibility of televising our Board of Education meetings. Members of the committee are Board members Alan Lambert (Chairman), Billy McCraight, and Eva Webb, and administrators Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, and Linda Cook, Director of Technology.

Member Kenneth Berlinn reminded the Board about the WCASB Winter Conference being held on Saturday, February 5, 2000, at the Wayne County RESA Digitorium.

Member Debbie Dick asked if we purchased from Wayne County RESA. Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance Operations, answered in the affirmative.

Member Billy McCraight asked about testing children when they enter our schools. Executive Session - Negotiations

1/00/17 Moved by Woods supported by Webb that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 8:21 P.M. and reconvened in regular session at 9:06 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

1/00/18 Moved by Woods supported by Webb that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary Romulus Board of Education

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Romulus Schools Students Honored for Academics, Attendance

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T/Th Kindergarten – Ms. McCabe

Brandon Mahon.

First Grade - Miss Gaglio

Taekola Coleman-Gates and Willie Johnican.

First Grade - Ms. Panek

Jamiel Davis, Angelette French, Junaé Harville, Raven Parnell, Jenese Wallace, Onja'leese Warren, and Bre'ana West.

First Grade - Mrs. West

Loren Adams, Robert Ames, Brienna Boyd, Adrienne Parnell, Amanda Richards, Erica Ross, and Amanda Wagle.

Second Grade - Miss Kerner

Samantha Marcum and Savannah Moody.

Second Grade - Mrs. Otis

Javonte Belcher, Trevell Campbell, Dominique Carroll, and Joshua Krell.

Second Grade - Mrs. Talento

Sheldon Gage, Joshua Mahon, Marcus Trent, and Ashley Wagle.

Third Grade - Mrs. Albus

Romel Arrington, Raheem Brown, Brad Burcroff, Joshua Horne, Vincent Hoskins, Lauren Jones, Latrice Parnell, Chantal Payne, and Asia Shareef.

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Sixth Grade - Mrs. Redmond

James Bell, James Blanton, Jason Elwell, Jalisa Simpson, and Ralonda Peammon.

Sixth Grade - Miss Richard

Tondra Bland, Brittni Brown, Merrika Brown, Darryl Carroll, Kenny Charles, Octavia Hester, Dawan Jackson, Monét McCroan, Devin Milhouse, and Kevin Smith.

Middle School HONOR ROLL

Note: An asterisk denotes those students who received all "A" grades. **Seventh Grade**

Ashley Allen, Latoya Allen, Britney Alley, Tiara Anderson, Nichole Armstrong, Bryan Ashby, Kristen Atchley, Horace Baines, Janee Barnes, Sarah Bauman, Shavon Bell, *Jazmine Bennett, Stephanie Bishop, Tiffany Block, *Brenden Boyd, *Donald Brewer, Michael Broadnax, *Ronnie Brown, Kelly Bunyak, Monika Burgess, Danielle Butler, *Teela Carroll, Justin Chapman, Maurio Clark, Anica Coate, Stacy Coffey, Chrystal Coleman, Monica Cox, David Covne, Jeremiah Cross, Joshua Crozier, Carol Deaton, *Mia Drane-Maury, Derrick Dugan, Amy Ehrenberg, *Lauryn Farkas, Anitra Glimps, Scott Golden, Ashley Gorkiewicz, Melissa Grace,



Romulus Middle School seventh-graders who earned all "A"s this card-marking period included (from left): front row – Kim Wilson, LaRiché Jones, and Joann Tieppo; back row – Avery Stephenson, Ronnie Brown, Garrett Swezene, Brenden Boyd, and Philip Roscoe.



Romulus Middle School seventh-graders who earned all "A"s this cardmarking period included (from left): front row – Lauryn Farkas, Donald Brewer, and Matt Steffani; back row – Lashonda Windham, Sawaira Sheikh, Mia Drane-Maury, Jessica Trahey, and Jazmine Bennett.

Steven Gratiot, Christopher Greene. Crystal Hahn, Katie Hale, Kevin Hamilton, Jeremy Harris, Paris Hawkins, Sierra Hicks, Elyse Hooks, Emily Hornfeld, Connelly Hughes, Anita Johnson, Brittany Johnson, *LaRiché Jones, Tashia Jones, Muneer Khan, Amy Kuczynski, Candace Lawrence, Mallori Losacco, Vanessa Malloy, Lisa Miller, Carolyn Moore, Leah Moore, Anjelique Moss, Antoinette Nelson, Alanae Odom, Jeffrey Ottenbreit, Candace Parsons, Michelle Patterson, Shawn Perkins, Dijon Piggee, Ricky Porter, Andrea Redding, Eric Rister, *Philip Roscoe, Megan Scott, Lindsay Sharp, *Sawaira Sheikh, Jennifer Shelton, Jessica Shelton, Ashley Sibby, Shauntya Simon, Larita Smith, Tiffany Smith, Monique Solomon, Dwight Springer, Paulette Stanford, *Matthew Steffani, *Avery Stephenson, Anastasia Strother, Jamie Suiter, *Garrett Swezene, Olivia Sylvester, Jeremy Thomason, *Joann Tieppo, *Jessica Trahey, Kelvin Valentine, Rebecca Vinson, Miah Wade, Sarah Ward, Lashonda Whitehead, Danté Williams, Jessica Williams, Sarah Williams, *Kimberly Wilson, *Lashonda Windham, Ryan Witherow, Brian Woods, Ashley Wright, Keshia Wright, Janae Zimmerman, and Christopher Zirkle.

Eighth Grade

Aamer Ahmad, Deborah Anderson, Elizabeth Berry, Natalie Blake, *Kenneth Booker, Carla Broom, Ahmad Caldwell, Cassie Caldwell, Kristina Camilleri,

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Editor's note: The Romulus News welcomes honor-roll and perfect-attendance lists from all schools that are attended by Romulus residents. To send your school's lists, mail them to us at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174, or fax them to 734-941-4874. For more information, call 734-941-1907.

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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, and Melissa Morton, Manager of the Romulus Tower, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, please call 734-942-6852.)

Indulge Yourself on Fat Tuesday with Paczkis!

Make the most of Fat Tuesday's excuse to splurge on March 7, when the Romulus Senior Center will be serving hot coffee/tea and fresh paczkis (pronounced "poonchkies") – two to a customer – from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Cost is just \$1.50. Sign up at the Center.

Stroke Screening

The Romulus Recreation/Senior Center is inviting you to come in and spend a few minutes doing something that could quite possibly save your life.

On Wednesday, March 1, Life Line Screening – the nation's leading provider of health screenings – will be at the Center to perform three fast, painless, low-cost tests that detect the risk of stroke and vascular disease. The tests – a carotid artery screening, an abdominal aortic aneurysm test, and an ankle brachial index – are \$35 each or \$95 for the three-test package. (Anyone who signs up for the package price is also eligible for a \$10 discount on the regular \$35 cost of an osteoporosis test.)

To take advantage of the Life Line health screening at the Center, you must register at least 24 hours in advance. Call 800-407-4557 to make your appointment.

Free Tax Preparation

Now through April 12, volunteers from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will be available (by appointment only) at the Romulus Senior Center each Wednesday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. to assist low- and moderate-income Romulus seniors with the preparation of their Federal and State 1040 forms, as well as those for homestead property-tax, home-heating, and prescription forms.

A list of materials which must be brought to the appointment will be provided at the time of registration.

Note: Pamela Kersey, Romulus City Treasurer, also offers free tax-preparation services for local seniors each Wednesday and Friday. To make an appointment, call her office at City Hall (734-942-7580).

Ceramics

Instructor Doll Wands reminds everyone that her ceramics classes meet at the Center each Monday at 1 and 6 p.m. All are welcome.

Bunko

The Romulus Senior Center is now hosting bunko games each Tuesday at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Indoor Walking

The Romulus Senior Center travels to the nearest Wayne County Community College campus at 9:15 a.m. each Wednesday for an hour of safe, indoor walking. No preregistration necessary.

Center Offers Transportation Service

Round-trip transportation service within the Romulus city limits is available to local seniors each Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a fee of just \$1. To make your reservation (no later than 2 p.m. on the day before the trip), please call 734-942-6852 during the Center's normal business hours.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 734-942-6852.

- Soaring Eagle Casino/Mt. Pleasant (March 28; \$9);
- Soaring Eagle Casino/Mt. Pleasant (April 25; \$21);
- Bay Mills/Kewadin Casinos (July 20–21; \$129);
- Soaring Eagle Casino/Show (October 16; \$49); and
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 (September 17–23; \$799).

Commodities Available at the Center

The Romulus Senior Center will be distributing commodities to qualified individuals on the third Thursday of each month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Preregistration (any weekday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; bring proof of income) is required for all first-time recipients.

Hot Lunch

For just \$1.50, Romulus seniors (age 60 and over) can enjoy a hot lunch at the Center any weekday at 11:30 a.m. Call the Romulus Senior Center at least 24 hours in advance.

Volunteer Positions Open

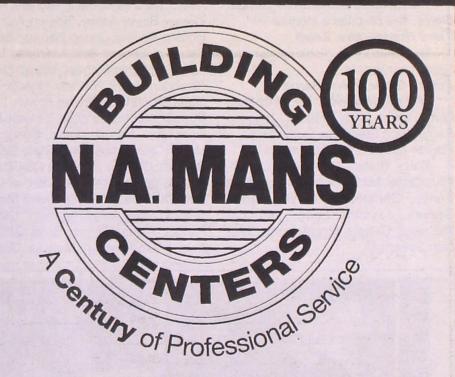
The Romulus Senior Center is always looking for friendly volunteers who would like to become more involved in the Center by helping to plan and execute its various programs. To find out more about how you can give the priceless gift of caring, please contact Linda Norman, Program Coordinator.

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Date of Wedding			
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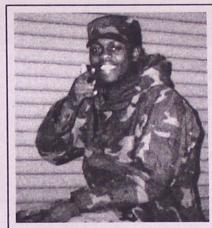
Greetings from Home

Spec. 4 Jonathan D. Williams

The family of Specialist 4 Jonathan D. Williams – a 1997 graduate of Romulus High School – wishes him the best during his current assignment in the Philippines, which began earlier this month. He is expected to remain there until sometime in April, when he will return to Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Friends who would like to write to Williams may do so by addressing their letters to him at 650 Access Drive, Box 64, Fort Richardson, AK 99505.

Williams's proud family members include his mother, Brenda Penn; three brothers, Marcus Williams, Tony Penn, and John Penn; one sister, Kandice Penn; and the "Top Dog,"



Spec. 4 Jonathan D. Williams

Mr. Reece. Betty and Harry Scott, also of Romulus, are Williams's godparents.

Obituaries

Helen L. Guidash

Helen Guidash of Dearborn, Michigan, died on Saturday, February 12, 2000. She was 85 years old.

A retired waitress, the native of Gaylord, Michigan, was born September 11, 1914.

Helen is survived by a son, Michael L.; one granddaughter, Pamela; seven sisters; and two brothers.

Among those who predeceased her

is her daughter, Patricia Lou Lauraine.

A funeral mass was held Wednesday, February 16, at the Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church (Livonia, MI), with Father Lawrence Kaiser officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI).

Arrangements were made by Querfeld Funeral Home (1200 Oakwood, Dearborn, MI).

Walter C. Mach

Walter C. Mach of North Adams, Michigan, died on Saturday, February 12, 2000. He was 80 years old.

The native of Detroit, Michigan, was born November 3, 1919.

Surviving Walter are ore one son, Larry W. Mach; three daughters, Mrs. Lorne (Linda) Cook, Mrs. Daniel (Bonnie) Hood, and Mrs. Jeff (Diane) Tervol; three brothers, John, Robert, and Art Mach; two sisters, Mrs. Junior (Lorraine) Block and Mrs. Gerald (Ruth) Clark; nine grandchildren; and five greatgrandchildren.

Afuneral service was held Wednesday, February 16, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Marvin Hawbaker officiating. Interment was at Glen Eden Memorial Park (Livonia, MI).

Memorial tributes may be made to Hospice of Hillsdale County.

Genevieve (Riley) West

Genevieve (Riley) West of Riverview, Michigan, died on Sunday, February 20, 2000. She was 84 years old.

A member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Genevieve was born in Ironton, Ohio, on January 13, 1916.

She is survived by two sons, Leo (Donna) West (Belleville, MI) and Thomas E. (Lois) West (Belleville, MI); a daughter, Anna Noyse (Detroit, MI); sisters Wilma Pratt, Faye Canalas, and

Sally Bennett (all of Detroit, MI); 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

One son, James West, predeceased her.

Afuneral service was held Wednesday, February 23, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Pastor Keith Schuster officiating. Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI) was the site of interment.

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